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E.O. 11652: N/A
SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION: CARTER INAUGURAL

1. ALL MEDIA GAVE PROMINENT AND POSITIVE
PLAY CARTER INAUGURAL. JANUARY 20 "EVENING NEWS
FRONTPAGED FIVE-COLUMN STORY UNDER BANNER
HED "CARTER NEW U.S. PRESIDENT" WITH PROMINENT
SUBHED PROCLAIMING "PLEDGES FRESH BID TO CURB
ARMS PACE". STORY USED GENEROUS QUOTES FROM
INAUGURAL ADDRESS EMPHASIZING "EFFORTS TO CURB
NUCLEAR ARMS" AND "U.S. STRENGTH BASED NOT
MERELY ON MILITARY ARSENALS BUT ON NOBILITY OF
IDEAS AS WELL".

2. JANUARY 21 EXPRESS PLAYED REUTER-CANA
STORY LEADING WITH "PLEDGE TO NEW BEGINNING
AFTER COUNTRY'S RECENT TROUBLES" AND QUOTED
"IDEAL OF A HUMANE WORLD FREE OF POVERTY".

3. RADIO TRINIDAD CARRIED THREE-HOUR
SIMULCAST OF VOA FEED, AND GOVERNMENT-OWNED
NBS USED GENEROUS INAUGURAL QUOTES THROUGHOUT
ALL ITS MAJOR THURSDAY NEWSCASTS.

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4. JANUARY 21 TRINIDAD GUARDIAN DEVOTED
QUARTER-PAGE TO COMPLETE TEXTS FOREIGN-
AUGIENCE STATEMENT (REF USIA 1344) AND INAUGURAL
ADDRESS UNER HED "CARTER TO WORK FOR PEACEFUL
WORLD ORDER", WILL CREDIT USIS. GUARDIAN ALSO
RAN EDITORIAL UNDER HED "CARTER'S NEW BEGINNING".
EDITORIAL SAID "CARTER CERTAINLY RAISED THE

EXPECTATION OF THIRD WORLD PEOPLES FOR BENEFIT
FROM HIS DAWNING ADMINISTRATION".

5. EDITORIAL SAID CARTER MESSAGE "HELD OUT
PROMISE THAT THESE EXPECTATIONS ARE WELL FOUNDED".
GUARDIAN CONTINUED THAT "CARTER'S STATEMENT THAT
A NEW BEGINNING WOULD TAKE PLACE TO HELP SHAPE
A JUST AND PEACEFUL WORLD, A TRULY HUMANE WORLD....
MUST STIR THE BELIEF AND THE HOPE THAT A TLONG
LAST MORE VIGOROUS STEPS WILL BE TAKEN TO WIN
FOR OPPRESSED PEOPLE THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS".

6. EDITORIAL SAID "MR. CARTER'S MANIFESTO
FOR HIS ADMINISTRATION REITERATED THE STRENGTH-
WITH-HONOR PRINCIPLES THAT SOME EARLIER PRESIDENTS
HAVE AVOWED" AND CONCLUDED THAT "THERE CAN BE
LITTLE DOUBT THAT HIS ADMINISTRATION BEGINS WITH
PROBABLY THE GREATEST FUND OF GOOD WILL ACROSS THE
WORLD TOWARDS ANY AMERICAN GOVERNMENT OF THE
LAST TWENTY YEARS".

7. HIGHLIGHT OF COVERAGE WAS A 7:30 P.M. TRINIDAD
TELEVISION HALF-HOUR TELECAST USING AGENCY SATELLITE
FEED WRAPPED WITH CARTER BACKGROUND FILM AND
COMMENTARY SUPPLIED BY POST. PROGRAM APPEARS
TO HAVE HAD EXTREMELY STRONG, POSITIVE EFFECT.
AUDIENCE REACTION SAMPLING DREW COMMENTS
DESCRIBING CARTER AS "WARM", "SINCERE," "VERY
HUMAN". SPECIAL FOREIGN AUDIENCE MESSAGE
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INCLUDED IN TELECAST (REFERENCE USIA 1344)
DESCRIBED AS "FIRM," "ENCOURAGING", AND
"WELCOME". VIDEOTAPE DUB OF TTT PROGRAM AIRSHIPPED
BY POST TO BARBADOS FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 FOR
IMMEDIATE USE.
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